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SUPPLY FOR BRAZIL

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1. ACCORDING TO REPORTS DATED BONN AND CARRIED IN THE BRAZILIAN
PRESS ON 13 JUNE, THE URENCO PARTNERS HAVE REACHED AGREEMENT
ON NEW CONDITIONS FOR SUPPLY OF ENRICHED URANIUM TO BRAZIL.
THE NEW CONDITIONS WILL REQUIRE AGREEMENT BETWEEN BRAZIL AND
THE URENCO PARTNERS ON THE DETAILS OF THE BRAZILIAN PLUTONIUM
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STORAGE REGIME AT LEAST TWO YEARS BEFORE ITS IMPLEMENTATION.

2. ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLES, THE NEW CONDITIONS WERE THE
SUBJECT OF PRIOR CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE FRG AND BRAZIL,
AND BRAZILIAN APPROVAL IS ANTICIPATED. THE ARTICLES
ALSO REPORT THAT THE APPROVAL OF THE DUTCH PARLIAMENT
IS EXPECTED.

3. COMMENT: WHILE PRIOR AGREEMENT ON THE DETAILS OF THE BRAZILIAN PLUTONIUM STORAGE REGIME WILL IN ADVANCE OF ITS IMPLEMENTATION MAY HAVE SOME SLIGHT SECURITY AND/OR SAFEGUARDS BENEFITS, IT HARDLY APPEARS TO INVOLVE ANY MAJOR CHANGE IN THE URENCO/BRAZIL FUEL SUPPLY AGREEMENT. INDEED, IT APPEARS TO BE A LARGELY COSMETIC CHANGE, DESIGNED POSSIBLY TO PROVIDE THE DUTCH WITH A FACE-SAVING MEANS TO DROP THEIR OBJECTIONS TO THE URENCO/BRAZIL AGREEMENT AND TO GO FORWARD WITH THEIR PARTICIPATION IN URENCO AND THE EXPANSION OF ALMELO. END COMMENT.
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